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**Joseph Dodge Papers  
1856-1861**

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## **Abstract**

### **Joseph Dodge (1823-1860)**

#### **Papers, 1856-1861**

1 folder

Mason in North Edgecomb, Maine

Contains accounts settled by the estate of Joseph Dodge of North Edgecomb, Maine. The accounts are for food, lumber, medicine, agricultural labor, blacksmith work, and other transactions that Dodge had made during the last years of his life. There is no correspondence or personal material in the collection.

Museum purchase from William Hill, Gosshill Books.

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#### **Added entries—persons:**

Dodge, Joseph (1823-1861)

#### **Added entries—key terms:**

Accounts, household

Administration of estates

Agriculture

Edgecomb (ME)

Medicine

## **Acquisition**

This collection was purchased from William Hill, of Gosshill Books, in 1978. It was part of a larger purchase that included the Captain Atwood B. Norton Papers (MS-42), the log-book and sloop accounts of the schooner *M.V.B. Chase* (SM 52/1-2), Captain William Patterson Papers (MS-634), Schooner *Elizabeth Howard* Papers (MS-635), Captain Joseph Purington Account Book (MS-88 Box 5/21), the Joseph Cargill papers (MS-413), and the Orrissa Willmarth Foster Sheppard papers (MS-637).

## **Restrictions**

There are no restrictions on this collection.

## **Physical Condition**

The papers are in good condition.

## **Historical Note**

Joseph Dodge was born in 1823. He married Sarah Pinkham in Boothbay, Maine, in 1847. They lived in North Edgecomb, Maine, where Joseph described himself as a mason in the 1850 census. Dodge died in 1861.

### **Scope and Content Note**

This small collection contains bills and accounts that were settled by Joseph Dodge's estate after his death in 1861. The transactions all date to before Dodge's death, and cover family expenses for food, medicine, lumber, blacksmith work, agricultural labor. They do not appear to be formal probate court records. There is no correspondence or personal material in this collection, nor is there any evidence that Dodge was directly involved with the maritime world.

### **Box and Folder List**

Box	Folder	
1	1	Estate papers, Joseph Dodge, 1856-1861